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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : Mordechai Turi et al.  
Serial No. : 09/176,634  
Filed : October 22, 1998  
For : Disposable Elastic Absorbent Article  
Having Retaining Enclosures  
Art Unit : 3735  
Examiner : Paul Shanoski

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2000, kindly amend the above-referenced application as set forth below.

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) An integral disposable elasticized absorbent article comprising:
- (a) an absorbent body having a front waist portion, a back waist portion, a crotch portion and a pair of spaced apart leg openings;
  - (b) an absorbent core member[;] having a top portion and a bottom portion;
  - (c) means for fastening said absorbent body to the body of [the] a wearer; and
  - (d) [an] at least one elasticized barrier layer [overlying portion of said absorbent core member and secured to said absorbent body thereby defining a retaining enclosure between said barrier layer and said core member] said barrier layer having an edge secured to said absorbent body